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Title : The Speaker made references to the passing away of Shri Murarilal Singh, sitting member of the Lok Sabha; Smt. Gurbinder Kaur Brar, member of the 7th Lok Sabha; Shri R.P. Sarangi, member of the 6th and 7th Lok Sabhas; Shri Mohan Singh, member of the 10th, 12th and 14th Lok Sabhas and sitting member of the Rajya Sabha; Shri Ram Naresh Kushwaha, member of the 6th Lok Sabha; Shri Mohan Dharia, member of the 5th and 6th Lok Sabhas; Dr. Nitish Sengupta, member of the 13th Lok Sabha; and Shri H.P. Singh, member of 12th Lok Sabha. The Speaker also made references to the loss of lives of persons in different incidents in the country and loss of lives, caused by super typhoon, 'Haiyan' in the Philippines.

MADAM SPEAKER: Hon. Members, I have to inform the House about the sad demise of our colleague Shri Murarilal Singh and seven former Members Shrimati Gurbinder Kaur Brar and Sarvashri R.P. Sarangi, Mohan Singh, Ram Naresh Kushwaha, Mohan Dharia, Dr. Nitish Sengupta and Shri H.P. Singh.

Shri Murarilal Singh was a sitting Member representing Sarguja parliamentary constituency of Chhattisgarh.

Shri Singh was a Member of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Labour. He relentlessly worked for the welfare of tribals.

Shri Murarilal Singh passed away on 4th December, 2013 at Raipur in Chhattisgarh at the age of 61.

Shrimati Gurbinder Kaur Brar was a Member of the Seventh Lok Sabha representing Faridkot parliamentary constituency of Punjab.

Shrimati Brar was also a Member of the Punjab Legislative Assembly from 1972 to 1977 and served as the Minister of State for Housing in the Government of Punjab during 1973 to 1977.

Shrimati Brar was a Member of the Committee on Public Undertakings in the Lok Sabha.

Shrimati Brar passed away on 7th September, 2013 in Chandigarh at the age of 91.

Shri R.P. Sarangi was a Member of the Sixth and Seventh Lok Sabhas representing Jamshedpur parliamentary constituency of the then State of Bihar.

Shri Sarangi was also a Member of the Bihar Legislative Assembly from 1962 to 1976. He served as the Minister of State for Agriculture, Cooperation and Irrigation in the Government of Bihar from 1967 to 1968. [SR1]

Shri Sarangi was a Member of Committee on Absence of Members from the sittings of the House and Consultative Committee of the Ministry of Labour.

Shri R.P.Sarangi passed away on 8 September, 2013 in Jamshedpur, Jharkhand at the age of 85.

Shri Mohan Singh was a Member of Tenth, Twelfth and Fourteenth Lok Sabhas representing the Deoria Parliamentary Constituency of Uttar Pradesh. He was also a sitting Member of Rajya Sabha.

Shri Singh served as a Member of Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly from 1977 to 1985 and Uttar Pradesh Legislative Council from 1990 to 1991. He served as Minister of State for Small Scale Industries in the Government of Uttar Pradesh from 1978 to 1980.

Shri Singh also served as Member of several Parliamentary Committees.

A man of letters, Shri Singh authored several books on freedom movement and contributed articles in various magazines and Hindi dailies.

Shri Singh was conferred with the best Parliamentarian award in 2008 for his outstanding contribution to the Parliament.

Shri Mohan Singh passed away on 22 September, 2013 in New Delhi at the age of 68.

Shri Ram Naresh Kushwaha was a Member of Sixth Lok Sabha representing the Salempur Parliamentary Constituency of Uttar Pradesh.

Shri Kushwaha was also a Member of Rajya Sabha from 1982 to 1988. He served as a Member of the Committee on Absence of Members in Lok Sabha.

Shri Ram Naresh Kushwaha passed away on 7 October, 2013 at Deoria in Uttar Pradesh at the age of 84.

Shri Mohan Dharia was a Member of Fifth and Sixth Lok Sabhas representing Pune Parliamentary Constituency of Maharashtra. He was also a Member of Rajya Sabha from 1964 to 1971.

Shri Dharia served as Union Minister of Commerce, Civil Supplies and Cooperation and Minister of State for Planning, Works and Housing.

An active social and political worker, Shri Dharia participated in the freedom struggle.

A widely travelled person, Shri Dharia led Parliamentary delegations to Germany, the then USSR and other countries.

Shri Dharia passed away on 14 October, 2013 at Pune in Maharashtra at the age of 88.

Dr. Nitish Sengupta was a Member of Thirteenth Lok Sabha representing Contai Parliamentary Constituency of West Bengal.

Dr. Sengupta served as Member of Committees on Petitions and Railways. He was also a Member of Consultative Committee of the Ministry of Finance.

Dr. Nitish Sengupta passed away on 3 November, 2013 in New Delhi at the age of 79.

Shri H.P. Singh was a Member of Twelfth Lok Sabha representing the Arrah Parliamentary Constituency of Bihar.

He was a Member of Committees on Public Undertakings and Human Resource Development. He also served as Member of Consultative Committee of the Ministry of Food and Consumer Affairs.

Shri H.P. Singh passed away on 18 November, 2013 in New Delhi at the age of 66.

We deeply mourn the loss of our colleagues and I am sure the House would join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved families.

Hon. Members, as you are aware, a terrorist attack on Westgate Mall in Nairobi, Kenya lasted from 21 to 24 September, 2013 and it resulted in the death of 67 persons of various nationalities, including four Indian nationals. Six other Indian nationals were injured.

The loss of innocent lives in this tragedy is unfortunate and indeed very sad. I am sure the whole House will join me in expressing our condolences to the bereaved families.

In an incident, 61 persons were killed when a multi storey building collapsed in the Mazagaon area of Mumbai on 27 September, 2013.[R2]

In another incident, Cyclone Phailin has caused the death of at least twenty three persons in coastal districts of Odisha and Andhra Pradesh on 13 October, 2013.

In another cyclone called Helen, about ten persons were killed in coastal areas of Andhra Pradesh on 22 November, 2013.

Both the cyclones have caused large scale damages to houses, properties and crops.

In a tragedy, 111 people are reported to have been killed and about 100 persons injured in a stampede during Navratri festivities near Ratangarh temple in Datia district of Madhya Pradesh on 14 October, 2013.

In a Naxal attack, about seven police personnel are reported to have been killed in a landmine blast in Aurangabad district of Bihar on 3 December, 2013.

The House expresses its profound sorrow on these tragic incidents which have brought pain and suffering to the bereaved families and wishes the injured a speedy recovery.

In another tragedy, large scale devastation and destruction has been caused by super typhoon, 'Haiyan' in the Philippines. The House expresses heart-felt condolences to the families of the deceased, the Government, the Parliament and the people of Philippines. The Lok Sabha also expresses its deep sympathy for the survivors who have lost property and livelihood.

The Lok Sabha wishes to convey to the Parliament and the people of the Republic of Philippines its full support and solidarity in this hour of need.

The House may now stand in silence for a short while as a mark of respect to the memory of the departed.

11.11 hrs.

The Members then stood in silence for a short while.

MADAM SPEAKER: The House stands adjourned to meet again tomorrow at 11 a.m. on the 6th of December, 2013.

11.13 hrs

The Lok Sabha then adjourned till Eleven of the Clock

on Friday, December 6, 2013/ Agrahayana 15, 1935 (Saka).

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